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- (a) This section applies to all counties, including Baltimore City.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subtitle, a person shall obtain a kennel license from the local licensing agency if the person:
- (1) owns or has custody of 6 or more unspayed female dogs over the age of 6 months kept for the purpose of breeding the dogs and selling their offspring; or
  - (2) sells dogs from six or more litters in a year.
- (c) (1) Each local licensing agency shall collect and maintain a record of the following information for each kennel license issued in the county:
  - (i) name of the licensee;
  - (ii) address of the licensee;
  - (iii) number of dogs maintained by the licensee; and
- (iv) number of puppies sold by the licensee in the preceding year.
- (2) On or before January 15 of each year, each local licensing agency shall report to the Maryland Department of Labor the information collected under this subsection for the preceding year.
- (d) The governing body of a county may establish additional kennel license fees to cover the cost of collecting, maintaining, and submitting the records and reports required under subsection (c) of this section.
- (e) This section may not be construed to prohibit the governing body of a county from enacting more stringent kennel licensing ordinances.

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